

## Eddy Current.

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Being killed by electricity is a shocking way to die.

Nobody ever goes to hades—according to the tombstone.

Cripple Creek may turn out to be a town with streets paved with gold.

The hit of Herr Altwardt's first lecture was made by a prophetic error.

An oil-borer near Gallipolis, Ohio, is down 2,000 feet and is still living on hope.

The man who begins by drinking some time may end by having to drink all the time.

No man can grind down another without first placing his own soul under the millstone.

When a man gets up early in the morning to drink, he is apt to spend the day in doing nothing else.

It now transpires that nearly all the divorces that have been granted in Oklahoma are not binding. Isn't that awful?

General Russell A. Alger has engaged twenty-two rooms in St. Louis during convention week. What's the matter with Alger?

W. S. Stratton the Cripple Creek bonanza king, was a "poor carpenter" four years ago, and probably is not a good carpenter yet.

Says the San Francisco Wave: "Chicago has not a single great preacher." Well, that's all right; a great preacher ought not to be single, anyway.

Buffalo offers \$50 for "the best suggestion for a municipal flag." What's the matter with the stars and stripes? Please send along that remittance.

Says the Boston Traveler: "Rev. Dr. Gumbart of this city defends hell." Well, it needs some sort of defense; a great many people speak disparagingly of it.

What do you suppose E. W. Clark of Nevada, Mo., got, who sued Caroline Simmons for \$50,000 for breach of promise? Got left, and the jury was out only ten minutes.

Another heiress has gone. This time it is Clara Busch, daughter of a millionaire St. Louis brewer, while the lucky man is Baron von Gotard. There are still a few more left.

Says a squeamish Minnesota paper, speaking of the Hayward case: "Hanging is a terrible thing." It is, it is. That's why we advise all our friends to eschew murdering entirely.

Mark Twain is to receive \$10,000 for his lecture course in England. This, together with the great popular subscription started in his behalf by a Cincinnati paper, will give him \$10,016.48.

A New York inventor has been sent to the asylum as the result of "studying over a bottle which cannot be refilled." A great many men have gone there through studying bottles which have been filled too often.

The Louisville base ball club announces that it has signed "the poet, Henry Collidge Semple, as a pitcher" for next season. We marvel that the poet Stephen Crane was not chosen instead; no one ever would have been able to get onto his curves.

The cable brings the interesting information that a "Miss Viola" of London is coming over to this country "to try going over Niagara Falls." We think she will experience little difficulty in going over the falls if she tries hard enough, but we advise her to court undying fame by engaging in a pie-eating contest in New York.

Red Bank, N. J., authorities are trying to suppress swearing on the public streets. Last week Grover Reeves was arrested before Justice. Childs was fined \$150 for having used seven bad words on the street. This is the second case of the kind that has occurred in a few weeks. All who wish to swear on the public highway may do so, provided there is no objection to paying for each "curse" at the rate of 50 cents a word.

A dispatch from Cincinnati announces that a new directory for the Commercial Gazette has been chosen, at the head of which is A. Howard Hinkle. The further announcement is made that "Mr. Hinkle is president of the Ashland Iron and Steel company, a director in the First National Bank, the American Book Company, the United States Printing Company, the John Church Company, the Cincinnati Gas Light and Coke Company, the Everett Piano Company and other companies." The Commercial Gazette is one of the strongest and ablest papers in the west, but we doubt whether it can stagger along under such an embarrassment of riches very long.

Snob Smalley is in a state of mind dreadful to behold. He begins to fear that the American people are in earnest in the matter of upholding the Monroe doctrine. The fact is likely to penetrate to John Bull's seat of understanding in the course of time.

At Cincinnati Thursday Margaret Rives was married to Louis Charles Antoine Guilbert Pierre Pinton Marquis du Chabran. To prevent a possible misunderstanding it may not be amiss to state that there are only one of the

## TALKING ON RULES.

ALL AMENDMENTS FAIL TO BE ADOPTED.

Debate on the Substitute for House Bond Bill is opened in the Senate by Jones of Arkansas in a Two Hours' Speech—Will Collect by Force.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The house gave its time yesterday to discussing the proposed amendments to the rules of the fifty-first congress, which were provisionally adopted early in the session to govern the house. An interesting discussion followed the monotony of the technical debate. It was precipitated by Mr. Walker of Massachusetts, chairman of the banking and currency committee, who made a fight against the proposition to drop the committee on banking and currency from the list of committees privileged to report bills to the house at any time. A partisan debate resulted, in which Mr. Walker was supported by the Democrats and a Republican contingent which included many free silver men. The last congress had added the committees on banking and currency and on coinage, weights and measure to the privileged list, but the committee on rules decided not to alter the list of the fifty-first congress, which did not include them. Mr. Walker failed to carry his point.

Mr. Hepburn of Iowa offered an amendment to direct the speaker to recognize any member who addresses him when no other member is on the floor and spoke against the growing power given by the rules to the speaker. He withdrew his proposition, however, after a speech by Mr. Bell of Colorado, who claimed that it would secure for the Populist members the recognition of which he claimed they were deprived. The discussion of the rules was not finished.

Gomez Makes a Dash.

HAVANA, Jan. 11.—The bill which seemed to have taken place in the activities of the insurgents in the past few days has given place once more to an unexpected dash of Maximo Gomez in the heart of the rich tobacco growing district of Pinar del Rio.

Confident claims have been made for several days past on the part of the authorities that the time was fast approaching when the insurgents were to pay the penalty for their temerity and when the Spanish were to close in upon them as in a trap and annihilate them. But this has not been accomplished.

The authorities have discovered evidence of what they consider a conspiracy to cause an uprising in Havana and to hand the city over to the insurgents. The conspiracy is believed to be wide ramified and the discovery has caused grave uneasiness in Havana and suspicions that the defection is much more widely disseminated than has been admitted. Thirty persons have been arrested for complicity in the plot and eight have been imprisoned, while Aquilino Solano, police inspector for the port of Havana, has been relieved from duty.

The New Pension Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The pension appropriation bill was reported to the house yesterday. The bill carries an appropriation of \$141,325,820, which is about the sum appropriated last year and estimated by the commissioner of pensions to be necessary. The principal change was dropping the legislative provision proposed by Mr. W. A. Stone of Pennsylvania that no pension should be reduced, suspended or dropped except for fraud established by court.

A provision that when any application is rejected for informality and a pension secured by subsequent application it shall date from the first application was retained, as was the provision that a widow in establishing her claim to a pension under the act of June 27, 1890, need not prove that she is without means of support than her daily labor, but to this was added that she shall prove that her net income does not exceed \$500 per annum.

An English Denial.

LONDON, Jan. 11.—It was semi-officially stated yesterday that no such movement of British forces toward the boundary or in the neighborhood of the disputed territory in Venezuela as indicated in the dispatches from Caracas via New York has been anticipated by Great Britain, and that no addition has been made to the small force of police which has been stationed for some time past in the Yurian district. In regard to the attitude of Venezuela it is added that there is no reason to suppose that any hostile action on her part is intended.

A General Killing.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 11.—Reports have just reached this city that a mob of fifteen men, led by McClure Williams, a notorious character, last Tuesday went to Colina, on the upper Cumberland river, and in their efforts to take in the town a fight resulted, in which four men were killed. Williams, the leader of the mob, and the sheriff and one of his deputies, and Ed. Farrott, who a few weeks ago killed a brother of Williams, are dead. Reports are that a general row occurred and several men were killed.

Shot by His Son.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 11.—A special from Tennessee City states that Isaac Reed, placed in jail charged with assaulting his own daughter, escaped a few nights ago, went home, attacked his 18-year-old son with a knife and was shot and mortally wounded by the son. Reed had been making threats against his family, and they had prepared for the attack.

The British colonial office denies that troops have been landed at Chynai, Venezuela.

## Jones Holds the Key.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The tariff bill which came over from the house is "stuck" in the committee. The members of the finance committee are Morrill, Sherman, Allison, Aldrich, Platt, Wolcott and Jones of Nevada as the Republicans, counting Jones as such, but he affiliates with the Populists, and the Democrats are Voorhees, Harris, Vest, Jones of Arkansas, White of California and Walthall. With Jones of Nevada standing out an independent on this occasion opposing the bill, the committee is tied on the proposition as to whether there shall be a report on the bill. Of course the Democrats are opposed to reporting the bill while the Republicans are in favor of reporting it.

Jones contends that the bill is not a protection measure, and for that reason he is opposed to it on principle. Then he comes down to individual objections. He says he is interested in the Pacific slope and while his state is not interested in the cultivation of sugar, California is, and that article is clearly entitled to protection as long as any article manufactured or grown or dug out of the mines is protected. He takes the further ground that if the Republican contention that this is only a revenue measure is correct and honest, the sugar ought to be taxed an import duty, as it enters into every family, and that a tax on it would be general and fair. He is standing back on these propositions and there seems no way thus far to make him yield, and as long as he does not yield so long the bill will remain in the committee unless his demands are complied with.

Some Big Schemes.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 11.—W. L. Hoernock, chief engineer of the Great Northern and Puget Sound division of the Great Northern railway, says that feeders will be built from the main line, one into Afghanistan over the Thibet mountains, a third into Belochistan and Afghanistan and Persia.

This will bring the Russian road into the center of the Asiatic powers and right at the doors of India.

"You will perhaps be interested to know," said the doctor, "that the Russian government is building several merchantmen to ply between Vladivostok and some port in Alaska. We are now building three of them at Vladivostok and three more are to be built at Cronstadt; they will all be finished within a year or so. It is not decided which port we will go to, perhaps one will be made, for the United States is to build a railroad to some point in north Alaska and where ever it makes its terminus that we shall make our port. This is a part of a grand strategic plan and it is being carried out by an understanding between the two countries. The United States will build a line north to Sitka across Behring sea island as far as practicable and from that point make a connection with the ships Russia is building, making the journey from Alaska to Vladivostok in twenty-four hours."

Lighter than He Expected.

CLEBURNE, Tex., Jan. 10.—The jury in the case of John Wilkins, charged with murdering old man Grince Taylor, brought in a verdict late Wednesday evening finding him guilty, as charged, and assessing his punishment at death.

The prisoner did not seem at all disconcerted when the verdict was read. He remarked to some parties sitting by him that the verdict was lighter than he expected, his fear being a life term in the penitentiary. He is a young man, 22 years old, but doesn't look more than 18, and is handsome as an Adonis. He has an intellectual face and fine forehead, over which clusters of black curls fall. The testimony was all circumstantial.

In the statements by officers of the bureau of engineers, before the senate committee on coast defenses, the fact was developed that \$2,500,000 is required immediately for torpedoes and torpedo mines for land defenses. This is independent of the torpedoes and torpedo boats for the navy.

Will Collect by Force.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 11.—A special from Washington says: Unless the Turkish porte makes prompt reparation for the burning of the American mission buildings at Harpoot, the indemnity of \$400,000 demanded by this government will be collected by force. This statement was made last night by a high official of the government.

The Belle of Nelson Distilling company located at Louisville, Ky., assigned on the 9th inst. liabilities, \$250,000, assets about the same.

President Arrested.

DAYTON, O., Jan. 11.—Thursday night W. W. White, late president of the White Paper company, this city, which recently failed for near half a million, was arrested on a warrant sworn out by Dr. H. R. Lyon and W. J. Kaufman, stockholders, who charge him with embezzlement in that he induced them to buy stock in the company by knowingly falsely asserting that the company was sound.

Portugal declares her neutrality in the British-German embargo provided both powers keep off her territory.

Seems to Be Improved.

BERLIN, Germany, Jan. 11.—There was a feeling of relief in London last night that there are many details of the complication into which the foreign affairs of the empire have been placed which have not been published, and much speculation is indulged in by the public. So far as official information goes the situation seems to be improved. The mystery of the naval preparation occupies a large place in the public mind.

## NEW LIFE OF CHRIST.

A MONUMENTAL WORK BY A FRENCH ARTIST.

He Began His Art Career as a Skeptic, but is Now a Devout Believer—Engaged for Ten Years Upon the Task—His Story of the Redeemer.



ISS Edith Cones contributes to the Century an article on the monumental work of the French artist, James Tisset, in illustrating "The Life of Christ." This work is shortly to be published in Tours, France, in the most expensive form, \$1,000 each for the first twenty-one copies, and \$300 each for the remainder of the edition of 1,000 copies. The Century has acquired the right of reproducing a dozen of the finest of Tisset's pictures, and these accompany Miss Cones' article. The writer says: In the Paris of to-day a great religious work has been slowly accomplished, untouched by the insidious influences about it. In the production of this work, which externalizes his full development as man and artist, M. Tisset has been impelled by a desire to give his art for the purpose of presenting a truthful idea of the figure of Christ, the personages of his time, and the life of the world, as far as possible, in the mass of conventional ideas, inaccuracies which surround the subject, and through which we are accustomed to view its events. When the idea he made, in 1885, the first of his journeys to Palestine, beginning his serious study of its topography, and the various races which have lived there to time taken root there—his manner, customs, dress, gestures, architecture, government—endeavoring to sift through the overlying mass of foreign influences (Arab, Turkish, Persian and Latin) the true elements of the old Jewish civilization, and, as far as possible, to enter into the mental and moral attitudes of that race of Judea, so unique in its destiny. With this end in mind, and it was necessary to reproduce with some degree of exactitude the external setting of the events recorded in the Gospels, and he has thus reconstructed the architecture of that period with great minuteness, proportioned after the dimensions and descriptions given in old historic and religious works. He rebuilds for us the ornate temples and houses of the Herods, and the simple, harmonious lines of older structures. We see, too, the little Syrian villages, with their narrow, winding streets and square, low dwellings, lighted through the door; and faithfully pictured are the varying types of the Syrian landscape, the smiling hillside of Galilee, the severe beauty of Samaria, and the barren and melancholy wastes of Judea.

A devout Catholic, M. Tisset had, among other opportunities, for the privilege of entering monasteries and churches, generally inaccessible, where, jealously guarded from profane eyes, are to be found ancient and curious manuscripts, carvings, and relics which throw new light on the history of that time and the early centuries of the Christian era. Apart from what would seem almost special powers of intuition where his work is concerned, M. Tisset has been greatly aided by a study of the Talmud, Josephus, the early fathers of the church, and the works of the celebrated ecstasies, among the last those marvelous volumes of Katrine Emmerich, almost unknown and now out of print, which are among the most curious revelations of the human mind. In connection with his work M. Tisset has made a new translation of the Latin text of the Vulgate. To those occupying themselves with the history of that period, and specially to the student of mystic lore, the detailed catalogue of the pictures, accompanied by explanatory notes, will prove of the highest interest, as M. Tisset is deeply versed in that symbolism which made the smallest of the Jewish rites and customs pregnant with meaning. He has thus a significance for everything, from the jewel on the breast of the high priest to the color and shape of the garments of the participant at a feast. It would be difficult to overestimate the documentary value of M. Tisset's great work apart from its high esthetic merit. Scene after scene is restored with what would seem almost the power of a seer. Each act is set in its peculiar and fitting environment of place and condition, and the great drama unfolds itself before us with a strange reality. In the minute exactitude of the portrayal one may follow the events with the intensity of an eyewitness. The diversity of types represented is most interesting in its ethnological and historic fidelity, and drawn directly after those found to-day, and which are presumably the same now as then, enduring the inevitable changes of governments and customs the centuries have brought in their train. One sees the Pharisee, the scribe, the Greek, the Egyptian, the Arab, the Roman, the aristocrat, the slave, each type made familiar by the Gospels, standing out distinct, unmistakable even to the casual observer. The Syrian woman, too, has been faithfully pictured in her dark-eyed loveliness and languid grace, reaching her highest perfection in the beauty of Mary the Mother and Mary Magdalen. Specially interesting from this point of view is the picture of the sanhedrin, where every possible modification of the Jewish type is represented in that famous assembly which so lightly pronounced the sentence which has brought down on it the malediction of all succeeding ages.

## IS FOND OF BRIGHT COLORS.

Mrs. Alva Vanderbilt Boies on Florida Ornamentation.

One of the large drawing rooms of the New York residence of Mrs. Alva Vanderbilt at Madison avenue and Seventy-second street is forty feet deep, and its chief feature is the magnificent fresco work on the walls and ceiling. Mrs. Vanderbilt has always been fond of a great deal of color in the ornamentation of her numerous homes, and the mass of richness to be found in these apartments is almost oppressive. But the fact that the ceilings are very high tones down the wealth of color, and the dainty furnishings give a bright and cheery effect to the whole. Many of the art treasures of Mrs. Vanderbilt's home have been moved to this house, for it was the intention of the mistress to make the bravest possible showing when all the fashionable world came to see her daughter made a duchess. One of her treasures is a screen in three sections, representing "Wine, Women and Song." It was painted by a notable German artist, and, although but about four feet high and about the same in breadth, cost the neat sum of \$7,000. The first section shows a Bacchanal cupid holding a vine cup; the second, two cupids dancing; and the third, a beautiful woman, and the fourth, a man. The frames and the ornaments of the standards are nearly covered with flowers, the intervening spaces devoted to magnificent galleons of a beautiful character. It is not probable that there has been Mrs. Vanderbilt's permanent home. This was the house she gave her famous ball at the various races which have taken place there. The house last August in honor of the daughter. All the art treasures which she had collected during the last twenty years were exhibited, giving guests at the dance more pleasure than the customary profusion of flowers.

## PROSAIL WOOING.

Curious Love Story of Prince Rudolph and Princess Stephanie.

The story of the formal lovemaking of Prince Rudolph to Princess Stephanie is thus told: He proposed in person to the Princess Stephanie, King Leopold II.'s eldest daughter, on March 7, 1881, at an evening party given in his harem in Laeken castle. Herrmann, his famous conjuror, had been performing in one of the great state saloons, and a concert was being given in the great conservatory attached to the chateau. Masters had been so arranged that, while the general company present was being conducted from the scene of Herrmann's necromantic feats to the winter garden, Rudolph and Stephanie were left together, tête-à-tête, for a few minutes.

As soon as the coast was clear the handsome prince, with a low and formal bow, said, "Madame, will you take me for a husband?" to which plainly-purposive princess, courtesying deeply, replied with equal directness:

"Yes, imperial highness."

"You answer makes me supremely happy," rejoined the archduke.

"And," added the princess, "promise that will do my duty to you in all circumstances."

No more was said, and the youthful pair, arm in arm, joined the royal circle, in the winter garden, where Rudolph, leading his betrothed up to her father, addressed the king as follows:

"I have begged the Princess Stephanie to bestow her hand upon me. It is my privilege to inform you that my petition has been granted."

"I rejoice, monseigneur," replied King Leopold, "to greet you as my son-in-law."

To upon the princess embraced her mother, and the betrothal was forthwith announced to the assembled guests. Assuredly no words were wasted, any interlocutor in these important colloquies.

## Travelled in a Man's Garb.

A woman clad in man's garb was the steersman passengers of the African line steamship New York, which arrived here from Southampton recently. The woman's name is Henth Nystrom. She is a Russian Finn and she purchased a ticket at the Southampton office of the company, giving the name of Henry Nystrom. She wore high-topped boots and a long, double-breasted frock coat, and for headgear she had tied a bright-red handkerchief over her locks. Her sex was not discovered until the ship's physician, who was making a round of the steerage, vaccinating all who could show recent vaccination marks, ordered her to bare her arm. She refused, and it was through the attention the refusal attracted that her sex was discovered. Then she admitted her real name, and said she had adopted the disguise in order to escape from a cruel husband. She was removed to the women's quarters at Ellis island, and will be allowed to land as soon as she is provided with suitable clothing.—New York Times.

## A Warrior's Skeleton.

The skeleton of an Indian warrior at least 6 feet 6 inches tall was found in Muskegon, Me., a few days ago by two men who were digging a cedar. The body had been buried in a sitting posture, facing east, and about it were found iron implements and spear and arrow heads, while around the arm bones were copper bands, covered with curious carvings.

There are some 15,000 persons in London whose professional occupation is writing for publication.

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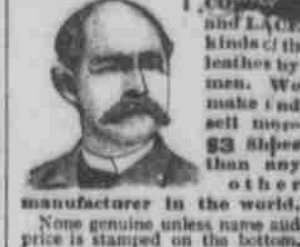
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